

Application No.: 10/016544Case No.: 55947US002**REMARKS**

Reexamination and reconsideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested.

Applicant's strongly disagree that the Ang reference can be read such that flexing could be construed by one of skill in the art as a stretching step. But in any event, Claim 18 has been amended to cite that the stretching is in the plain of the film and at a stretch ratio of at least 1:1.05, which is disclosed in the original specification at the paragraph at the end of page 12 at lines 18 and 27, respectively. In view of the above amendment, it is submitted that claim 18 is clearly not anticipated by the disclosure in Ang as indicated by the Examiner and a notice of allowance with respect to claim 18 and the claims dependent therefrom is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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